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PARIS FOR EMBASSY, USRO, USCINCEUR, THURSTON AND WEST
BONN'S 1170 TO DEPT

FONOFF HAS REPORT FROM PARIS ABOUT FRENCH THINKING ON
THREE AND FOUR POWER COORDINATION ON BERLIN QUESTION
ALONG SAME LINES AS FIRST PARAGRAPH PARIS 2065 TO DEPT.
BRITISH REPORT QUOTED COUVE AS SAYING HE OPPOSED QUADRI-
PARTITE GROUP IN BONN COORDINATING REPLY TO SOVIETS SINCE
"DID NOT WANT TO APPEAR TO BE LED AROUND BY NOSE BY
GERMANS". FONOFF OFFICIAL SAID BRITISH STRONGLY DISSENT
AND CONSIDER COOPERATION WITH GERMANS IN PREPARATION
OF REPLY ESSENTIAL FROM OUTSET WHETHER WORK DONE IN WASHINGTON
OR BONN. BRITISH CONTINUE PREFER BONN. FONOFF OFFICIAL
SPOKE IN ALMOST SAME TERMS LAST PARAGRAPH BONN'S REFTEL
INDICATING NO NEED FOR HASTE IN PREPARATION DRAFT REPLY
AND EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE FONMINS LAY DOWN GUIDE
LINES FOR PREPARATION OF REPLY.

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